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SUBJECT: CYPRUS INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS

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1. WE TOLD FCO'S GOODISON AND DAVIES JANUARY 8 OF BARUTCU'S SEEMINGLY ENCOURAGING REMARKS RE INTER-COMMUNAL TALKS (ANKARA REFTEL). DAVIES IMMEDIATELY REMARKED THAT ALDIKACTI'S MOVE TO CYPRUS SOUNDED LIKE SETTLING IN FOR A LONG STAY, IN THE MANNER OF UNFICYP. GOODISON SAID HIS OWN ESTIMATE WAS MORE OPTIMISTIC AT PRESENT THAN BACK IN SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER, WHEN THERE WAS FEAR TALKS MIGHT BREAK DOWN.

2. GOODISON ADDED THAT SIR MICHAEL STEWART, WHO PARTICIPATED IN RECENT ROME MEETING ON CYPRUS QUESTION, HAD BEEN SURPRISED BY GREAT PERSONAL CORDIALITY BETWEEN CLERIDES AND DENKTASH.

3. GOODISON MADE IT CLEAR, ONCE AGAIN, THAT BRITISH HAVE NO LIVE EXPECTATION THAT TALKS WILL REACH
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SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION. THEY ARE HAPPY JUST TO AVOID

HAVING TALKS BREAK DOWN.

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